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On 22 April 1952, the Hauptabteilung Schifffahrt im Ministerium fuer Maschinenbau in Berlin (Main Department Shipping of the Ministry for Machine Construction) informed the Directorate General, Shipping, that an order had been placed with VFW Stantswerft Rothersee, near Magdeburg, for the construction of river passenger ships for the U.S.S.R., and that the size of these vessels made it necessary to check the waterways on which they would be hailed (sic) from Rothersee to Rostock-Gehlsdorf.

25X1 [ ] Comment. An unconfirmed report indicated that the vessels ordered with the Rothensee State Yard were passenger ships for traffic on the Volga and Don rivers and canals.

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